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Docket No.: NE-1017-US/KM



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hiroyuki SAITO

Serial No.: 09/616,672

Group Art Unit: 2666

Filed: July 14, 2000

Examiner: Duong, Frank

For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DESIGNING COMMUNICATION PATHS OF

TREE STRUCTURE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 16 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.